HE WAS CONVICTED OF BURGLARY. ISAAC DAVIS AND OTHER GWINETT-ST. COL-

ORED FOLKS GIVE CONTRADICTORY TESTIMONY. Isaac Davis, a negro, was the defendant in the County Court yesterday, on a charge of burglary and grand larceny, in which many skeletons of fam-ily life in Gwinett-st, were brought to light. The complainant in the case is Rose Watkins, a tall, nuscular negress, who testified that the defendant had broken into her apartments at No. 801/2 Gwinettst. and stolen \$150 of her savings out of an iron bank. The money was all in sliver, she said. The

burglary was committed on April 13. Rufus L. Perry, the defendant's counsel, be gan to cross-examine the witness, he made her angry by asking as to the character of the house. Astant District-Attorney Crane, who appeared for



ISAAC DAVIS.

the prosecution, said that he objected to that line of questioning on the ground that it had nothing to do with the case. Judge Aspinall ruled it out.

Then Amelia Roberts was called, and said that she had seen the defendant break into a trunk in the room of Miss Watkins and take out the bank rhich contained her money. The witness said that she saw Davis break the lock off the trunk. There

was no one else in the room at the time.
"How high was that trunk?" asked Mr. Perry, in "About two feet," replied the witness.

Would you know two feet if you saw them? tinued the lawyer. Whose two feet do you mean?" asked Mr. Crane,

with an air of being mystified.

Judge Aspinall requested Mr. Perry not to mis

ad the witness and, speaking to her, told her that she was being examined by a most skilled advocate. Mr. Perry acknowledged the compliment with a low bow, and the trial proceeded.

Detective Dolan identified a photograph from the logues' Gallery as a picture of the prisoner, and said that Davis was an old offender, and that he had en in prison for various offences. The prosecution rested, and the defendant, who is

tall and strong, went on the stand and denied that he had taken the money. He said that at the time when the complainant said she was robbed he was in the rooms of Rose Parker. About an hour after-ward he was in front of the complainant's rooms. and she said that she had been robbed. He heard her tell Policeman McGrath that she had lost \$50, and she accused him of taking the money. The offitold her to get out a warrant for his arrest.

Davis said that a white man called on Miss Watof \$48. He said that the complainant gave him and a man namex Coxon \$1 each to put the man out of the house. Davis admitted that ne had been conwitted before, but said it was seventeen years ago.
William A. Cornell was called, and testified that
at the time the robbery was alleged to have
been committed Davis was not anywhere near Miss
Watkins's apartments. He followed the movements
of the defendant up to 9 o'clock, and said he knew it
was 9 o'clock, because he heard the church belis

"Bure it wasn't the bells in your head?" asked
"Crane, in cross-examination.
"Your Honor, I object," said Mr. Perry, seriously.
"That is unfair, for it assumes something that has
not been proved—that this man is crazy. People
don't have chimes in their heads unless they are."
"Yes, I think I will strike that out," said Judge
Aspinal.

spinall. In redirect examination Mr. Perry asked the wit-ess whether the complainant, Rose Watkins, was of known as the "terror of Gwinnett-st." Mr. Cran objected, and Judge Aspinall ruled the testimony on

jury found the defendant guilty of burglary third degree and of an attempt to commit grand

MORE CARRIERS NEEDED.

SOME OF THE POSTOFFICE STATIONS IN THE NEW WARDS NOT ADEQUATELY EQUIPPED.

The first week's experience with free delivery in the new wards has sufficed to show that the postal force assigned to some of the new stations is not large enough to carry on the work. The amount of mail matter handled at two or three of the sta-tions, in particular those at Bath Beach and Coney Island, has proved to be extremely and unexpect edly large, and both the carriers and the clerks have been overtaxed.

In consequence of the complaints received, or rather of the representations made. Postmaster llivan yesterday sent Assistant Postmaster Mc Copey and Mr. Smith, the general superintenden of city delivery, to make a personal investigation of the existing state of things, and on their report facts will be laid before the postal authorities at Washington, and the Postmaster will ask for hority to appoint a few additional carriers and clerks. Probably half a dozen men will be all that are needed at present. The Postoffice authorities, however, are wondering

what the situation will be when the summer popu-lation of Coney Island, Bath Beach and Sheeps-head Bay takes its departure from the city proper and adds many thousands to the people who are already receiving mail in the annexed district. the summer months it seems certain that iderable number of temporary clerks and carriers will have to be employed. As yet there has been no complaint from the Sheepshead Bay sta-tion, but in the summer the additional population there will be large.

In general the new order of things in the annexed district is working well and giving good satisfaction. In the course of next week it is probable that stmaster Sullivan will make a tour of the new tions and see with his own eyes how the postal siness is being transacted. It is hoped and exed that the additional men needed will be set to rk not later than May 15.

When the postoffice stations in the new wards were determined on, it was the belief of Postmaster Sullvan that the neighborhood names might wisely be retained, instead of designating each of them by tions in the older part of the city. A recom-indation to that effect was made by the inspector

mendation to that effect was made by the inspector who examined the district on behalf of the Washington authorities. The policy of the Postoffice Department, however, is to do away with neighborhood designations and adhere to the uniform policy of calling stations by letters of the alphabet.

Accordingly, letters have been attached to all the new stations, although in the Brocklyn postoffice the village names are added to the letters, in order to prevent confusion. The station at Fatbush has the letter F attached to it. The other stations are designated as follows: Bath Beach, H; Blythebourne, K; Canarsie, L; Coney Island, M; Fort Hamilton, N; Sheepshead Bay, O.

By far the largest district attached to any of these stations is connected with the Flatbush station. It embraces not only the village of Flatlands, but most of the old town of Flatlands, including Bergen Beach. The most remote parts of the district are four or five miles from the station, and here, of course, no more than two daily deliveries can be attempted for some time to come. It is apparently only a question of time when another station will be required in the neighborhood of Flatlands village, to meet the demands of a territory that seems bound to increase in population rapidly.

Another rapidly growing section is in the vicinity of Canarsio, which has been supplied in the last year with better and cheaper travelling facilities than it ever had before, and is showing the effects of the improvement in its rapid increase of population.

SAND IN LITIGATION.

a resale of property at Stony Brook, Long under a foreclosure of a mortgage of \$10,000 by William B. Youngs. Jonas Smith, of this whed by William B. Youngs. Johas Smith, of this lity, owned the property, and, after Youngs had seedlosed the mortgage on it and it was advertised or sale, he discovered that there were deposits of uliding sand on it which he estimated made its alue from \$50,000 to \$60,000. He asked Youngs to estimate the sale, but this was refused, and the regarty was sold for \$15,000. Smith moved before nation smith to set the sale aside on the ground of read. Justice Smith yesterday denied the motion, arring that he could not no evidence of fraud, but had there had evidence of results would remedy.

GOOD RECORDS MADE.

CONTINUING THE RIFLE TESTS AT THE CREEDMOOR RANGE.

MARKSMEN BOTHERED BY A FITFUL WIND-MUCH

INTEREST SHOWN IN THE DIFFER-

ENT WEAPONS.

Yesterday a cool, crisp wind swept across the Creedmoor ranges as the rifle contests to determine the adoption for an arm for the National Guarlsmen opened Commissioners Shaw and Thurston, with Secretary Abeli, were on the ground at 10 c'clock, and some of the competitors had remained at Creedmoor all night. Ellphalet W. Bliss was not present. About 200 men of the

13th Regiment were shooting on the short ranges when the contesting guns were got ready for work. The marksmen were experts, too. Sergeant Thomas C. Dolan, of the 12th Regiment, shot for the Briggr-Kneeland people, and Colonel Addls, of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, secured the services of Ordnance-Sergeant John Corrie, also of the 12th. Both men are experts of the first class. The latter is superintendent of the regimental armory. He served in the 5th Artillery and 17th Infantry for ten years, and won the gold medal presented by Governor Flower in 1893 for a State contest, making 93 points out of a possible 100.

William A. Boyle, formerly of the United States engineers, shot for Betheul Burton. He is also a member of the 12th Regiment, and holds the middle-range championship of the United States Army. Mr. Van Hensen shot for Mr. Blake, and Arthur W. Savage, in the opening scores, shot his own rifle. Later on, finding himself handicapped at the long ranges by the experience of soldier rivals, he handed his gun to Maurice Richards, the inspector of the Savage Arms Company. After some practice, and finding his target, Mr. Richards did remarkably well, considering the fact that he had never shot at 809 or 1,000 yard distances before.

The contest opened at 500 yards, fifteen shots to be fired from each gun. The score was:

In the earlier part of the contest a strong, fitful wind was blowing across the ranges and interfered much with the marksmen at times. GOOD WORK AT 800 YARDS.

After luncheon the competitors moved back to the 800-yard range, and were confronted with a serious difficulty. There were no regulation 12foot targets, although the bull's-eyes were to be had. This fact proved a great bother, as it was long before any of the riflemen could locate a bullet. They would plump into the big sandbank and raise a puff of tawny sand, but the marks men were completely at sea for a long time. Finally each of them got the range, but at a great expense of time and ammunition. score for this round was:

In this score Van Heusen failed to find the tar-

get, and the Commissioners ordered Private Crane to shoot the Blake rifle. He made the following score: Crane.......0, 9, 3, 0, 5, 4, 4, 3, 5, 5, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4-52 This was great shooting all around, Crane's ninth and thirteenth shots being the best of the day, the bullets striking the centre of the bull'sday, the bullets striking the centre of the bull'seye. This finished the work on the 800 yards
range, and the men moved back to the 1,000
yard line. Here the difficulty with the targets
was far more marked than at the previous range
and much time was consumed. Finally it was
determined that instead of fifteen shots fir:d by
each gun, only five would be discharged.

A HUNT FOR THE RANGE.

All the men were a long time getting the range, but once they did so the work was remarkably good. Sergeant Dolan was particularly unfortu nate, as he made several bull's-eyes in his marking shot before the official score began. Then he missed a couple of times and so spoiled his string.

This was as far as the Commissioners could go, and the remaining contests were put off until today. Colonel Addis was especially jubilant, not only over the showing of the Winchester arm but also of the cartridges, loaded with Dupont powder, under his own immediate supervision. This powder is made of gun cotton and nitro-This powder is made of zun cotton and nitroglycerine, with a restrainer to take up the shock
of the explosion. All the gun experts and soldlers present agreed that the Spencer rifle, or
the "gaspipe," as they dub the Remington, would
not be of the least use in the field against any
one of the rifles competing, loaded with smokeless
powder. Dolan, Corrie and Boyle were especially
loud in their praise of the modern powder and
weapone.

Colonel Low was an interested spectator, and most of the day sat with his eye glued to a telescope watching the targets. Every now and then detachments of militia scurried across from the firing squads and watched with bated breath the new riftes and their work at the targets. In regard to this it may be necessary to state that 5 is the highest score obtainable in a single shot and that 75 is the highest possible score for firteen shots, and 25 for five shots, and so on. From this it will be seen that the averages were high. The Blake gun and its queer-looking clip came in for considerable attention. It carries seven cartridges in the tin clip, but of course, can be modified to carry any greater or lesser number. The Burton gun behaved excellently. Apparently, however, the Savage gun had as many, if not more, admirers among those who have examined them all. weapone.
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COURT CALENDARS.

Supreme Court-Special Term for Motions-Before Gay-or, J.-Ex parte buriness at 10 a. m. Motion calendar diled at 10:30. Supreme Court—Special Term for Motions—Before Gaynor, J.—Ex parte buriness at 10 a. m. Motion calendar called at 10:30.

Supreme Court—Special Term Trials—Before Wilmot M. Smith, J.—Nos. 541, Hibson vs. Hespe; 547, Jansen vs. Selig and others; 545, Sterritt vs. Homan; 553, Kissel vs. Selig and others; 561, Muller vs. Carney and others; 562, Dillion vs. Blauwelt; 563, Kronengold vs. Pinckney; 562, Canisto Sash and Door Works vs. Waterbury; 48, Kanken vs. McBride; 224, Brandt vs. Haistead and others; 562, Armstrong vs. Armstrong and others; 518, Bimson vs. Butman; 318, Porcher vs. Michel; 247, Aleon vs. Schaffner; 554, Burtis vs. Burtis and others; 518, Bimson vs. Butman; 318, Porcher vs. Michel; 247, Aleon vs. Schaffner; 554, Burtis vs. Burtis and others; 518, Bimson vs. Butman; 318, calendar has been reached.

Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part I. Clement, J.; Part III, Van Wyck, J.; Part IV, Keogh, J.—Nos. 1712, Manhattan Beach Hotel vs. Hagenbeck Arena Company; 1768, Clarke vs. Brooklyn, Queens County & Suburban R. R.; 3453, Brady, infant, vs. Meyer; 1964, McDonald vs. Brooklyn City Railroad; 1757, Glon-1764, McDonald vs. Robin; 1152, Duryes, McCorniel; 4208, Halpern vs. Nassau Electric Railroad; 1869, Healy vs. Robin; 1152, Duryes, McCorniel; 4208, Halpern vs. Nassau Electric Railroad; 1869, Healy vs. Robin; 1152, Burtings; 1668, McToney; 2375, Storm vs. Robin; 1152, Burtings; 1668, McToney; 2375, Storm vs. Myerie; 1945, Buttling, Sheriff, vs. 11706, Wc. Robin; 1758, Cathartiev's Hospital et al; 1451, Baar; infant, vs. 8t. Cathartiev's Hospital et al; 1451, Baar; infant, vs. 8t. Cathartiev's Hospital et al; 1451, Baar; infant, vs. Brooklyn Heights Railroad; 2408, Kanna Vs. Robin; 2418, Hernan vs. Brooklyn, Queens County vs. Glikinson; 2418, Hernan

County Court—Civil Calendar—Hurd, J.—No. 56, Frank karbe vs. George P. Buss et al; No. 132, William J. Vheeler vs. Frank H. Tyler; No. 509, Catherine Walters s. Jacob Dirace; No. 502, William Wrnn vs. Raymond fuller et al; No. 568, Peter Clark vs. John G. Price et al; o. 2, George Alger vs. Metropolitan Life, Insurance company. apany.

Sunty Court—Criminal Calendar—Aspinall, J.—Charles agher, burgtay, third; John Hildertrand, grand large, second; Theodore Hickman, burglary, third; Fedinallic, offensive and disorderly conduct; Sebastian Sevin, assault, second; John Hennessey, malicious mistizen Weinberg, assault, second

DIED FROM THE BLOW.

John Iverts, nearly sixty years old, living in Flat-bush, who, it is alleged, was assaulted by the Italian, Angelo Thoran, died yesterday morning at St. John's Hospital from a fractured skull. Thoran

is alleged to be insane and attacked Iverts with a limb of a tree while Iverts was working on his farm. Judge Steers committed Thoran to Raymond Street Jail on a charge of murder.

BROOKLYN SCHOOL STATISTICS.

A CHANGE IN THE SYSTEM OF SUPERVISION RECOMMENDED BY SUPERIN-

TENDENT MAXWELL. Superintendent Maxwell presented his annual report to the Eoard of Education on Tuesday. It shows that Brooklyn has 109 public schools, and that 10.484 new sittings were provided last year. Attention is called to the act of the Legislature authorizing an issue of bonds to the amount of \$750,000 for the erection of new school buildings. This, it is thought, will defray the cost of all the new school buildings needed.

The number of pupils on the register was 118,221, an increase of 5,800 above that of the preceding year.

The number of different pupils instructed was 145,998, an increase of 6.351 above that of last year. The average daily attendance was most gratifying, being 103,868, an increase of 9,497. The number of between the ages of five and six has materidiminished, and Dr. Maxwell believes that child under six years of age should be permitted to enter the regular grades.

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The system of supervision now in vogue is declared to be "cumbersome, expensive and inefficient," and "furthermore, it has been the fruitful parent of unseemly wire-pulling for place, bickerings and jealousies that interfere seriously with the work of some cheals. These would be a decided work of some schools. There would be a decided gain in efficiency and a decided saving in cost if onehalf the heads of departments were set to work teaching classes."

The condition of the buildings of the Truant School is characterized as most unsatisfactory, and the report recommends the immediate construction of

In speaking of the Temperance Instruction law the Superintendent says: "There is reason to fear that evil will flow from the enforcement of this law. To keep constantly before the impressionable minds of children the things they ought to avoid is the surest way to create the desire for them."

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He recommends an increase in the appropriation of the fund for the teaching of sewing, and says that the girls of the higher grades should be taught cooking. "The kindergarten." he says, "has long since passed the experimental state, and is now regarded by all competent judges as the best if not the only method of initiating a child into regular school work, and it is not creditable that our schools are still without them."

The report closes by saying that the year has been one of progress; that school accommodations have been greatly increased, the course of study revised and improved, the teaching of sewing introduced, and provision made for the reclamation of habitual truants.

IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT.

THEY KISSED AND MADE UP.

Mrs. Amelia Rylan, who was fined \$5 for assaulting her husband, Alexander, at their home, No. 55 South First-st., asked for police protection yester-day afternoon, saying that she wanted clothing and was afraid to go near her home, as her husband had threatened to kill her. Policeman Kane was sent along, but found that his services were not heeded, as after a few stolen glances the couple fell into each other's arms. Later in the day they moved their property to New-York.

SENT BACK TO THE HOME.

Three times William Gilbooly, an orphan, has escaped from St. John's Home, at Albany and St. Mark's aves, the last time on Saturday, when he No. 61 Borden-ave., Long Island City. He was caught there by Agent Meyer, of the Children's Society, and when arraigned before Justice Lemon, in the Ewen Street Police Court, yesterday, on a charge of vagrancy, gave his age as eleven years He made another attempt to escape from the court-room, but was caught before he reached the street by Polleeman Gates. William G'lhooly was sent back to St. John's Home.

HE WILL NOT GET AWAY THIS TIME.

John Leeper, of No. 24 Richardson-st., was araigned in the Lee Avenue Police Court ye on a charge of burglary. During the last eighteen menths Justice Goetting has sent him before the Grand Jury on two other charges of burglary, and the prisoner had been indicted, but said he was out on ball pending trial. This time he was remanded without ball.

NO FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED BY THE POLICE. The funeral of Teresa Carney, whose body was found on Tuesday morning on the tracks of the Long Island Railroad, skirting Evergreen Ceme-Long Island Rathous, took place yesterday afternoon at Leon Linde's undertaking establishment, No. 182 Montrose-ave. The burial was in the Lutheran The expenses were defrayed by several women missionaries from the Doyers-st. mission The police have ceased to entertain suspicions of fout play. The pieces of cloth found on the fence ody were proved to have been hanging leged showel signs of a struggle was where the patrol wason backel up and the police lifted in the body of the woman. Coroner Nason said last even-ing: "There is absolutely no foundation for stories of foul play."

A RUNAWAY TROLLEY-CAR.

A car of the Broadway and Queens County trolley line ran off the track last evening at Broadway and Kent-ave., and dashed into an elevator upright on the steep incline to the ferry-houses. There were three women and two men on the car at the time. All took the boats for New-York, with the exception of Mrs. Andrea Small, forty-five years old, of McCullom Place, Jamaica. After leaving the car, she was prostrated from hysteria, and sat on the steps of the offices of the Broadway, Queens County and Suburban Railroad. An ambulance was called, from the Eastern District Hospital. After being at-tended, the woman left for her home. The accident was due to the fact that on the down grade near the ferry. George Worth, motorman, of No 1.791 Broadway, lost the handle of the motor over the dashboard, and was not able to control the car. Fortunately, there were few persons about at the time. There were no arrests. she was prostrated from hysteria, and sat on the

FOUR GRAVES RECEIVE VICTIMS OF KERO-SENE.

Four graves were opened yesterday in Washing ton Cemetery, and the victims of the kerosene ex-plosion in the apartment-house at Bushwick and Johnson aves, on Tuesday morning were laid therein. The bodies of Mrs. Esther Pasternak and Solomon The bodies of Mrs. Esther Pasternak and Solomon Pasternak were in separate coffins, and in one hearse, as were the bodies of Mrs. Rebecca Cohn and her child, Carl. Early yesterday morning the fathers returned from New-Jersey and attended to the removal of the bodies from St. Catharine's Hospital. Coroner Nason and a jury viewed the bodies, and the inquest was adjourned until Friday. Rose Pasternak and Solomon Cohn, the other children burned, are expected to recover from their injuries.

NOTES FROM THE NAVY YARD.

On the high tide yesterday afternoon the cruiser Newark was floated into the timber dock, and her crew began the work of scraping and brushing the barnacles from her hull as soon as the pumps began clearing the dock of water. There was a heavy deposit of marine growths on the bottom of the ship, and some of the barnacles were captured and carried off as mementoes. The painting will probably begin to-day, and the ship will be ready to leave the dock by Monday at the latest.

The idea of sending the two torpedo-boats in-tended to be carried on the decks of the Maine to the Naval Institute at Annapolis has been aban-doned, and the little vessels which caused so much trouble to the yard officers are to be transferred to the torpedo station at Newport, R. I., for use in practice work. The torpedo-boat Stiletto arrived at the yard yesterday, and will probably start for Newport to-day with one of the little green boats in

Newport to-day with one of the little green boats in tow. Steam was made yesterday afternoon in the boilers of the small boat, and dependence will not be placed entirely on the tow line during the trip through the Sound. The second of the Maine's boats will go to Newport early next month.

The shifting of vessels, noted in The Tribune of Sunday, has been continued, the Atlanta now occupying the berth then filled by the Fern on the river wall of the Cob Dock.

Much satisfaction is expressed over the approaching assembling of the North Atlantic squadron at the anchorage off Tompkinsville, and the probablity of an increased amount of work being turned into the yard shops is viewed with satisfaction by the employes as well as the heads of the departments.

RECEPTION BY THE MUSICIANS' CLUB. The Musicians' Club gave a reception in their

nents.

new clubrooms, No. 143 Montague-st., Tuesday evening. J. C. Dempsey, barytone; Mrs. Pardan, soprano: Master Vincent Favelli, harpist; Miss Ida Mollenhauer, planiste; Mr. Pardan, tenor; Dr. Ballard, barytone, and M. B. Parkinson, composer, contributed to a delightful programme.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lums-den, Miss Vass, Dr. Stetson, of New-York City; Mr. den, Miss Vass, Dr. Sietson, of New-York City; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perritt, Charles E. Coe, Henry G. Sanborn, John Clark Brocolini, Henriques Munoz, W. G. Lahey, Miss Grace Whiting, A. A. Day and Miss Day, Henry F. Chapman, Jr., Carl Fique, Dr. Fuller, Howard C. Pyle, George Anderson, Charles N. Davidson, W. D. C. Boggs, the Misses De Wolfe, Dr. E. W. Marshall and G. Waring Stebbius.

SCHIEREN TALKS OF MORTON.

THE EX-MAYOR FAVORS HIS NOMINATION, BUT DEPLORES THE PLATT POLICY.

M'KINLEY WOULD MAKE A GOOD PRESIDENT, HE SAYS, AND HE GIVES SOME PERSONAL OB-SERVATIONS OF SOUTHERN SENTI-MENT FOR THE OHIO MAN-

TARIFF LEGISLATION NEEDED.

Ex-Mayor Schieren expressed his views on the Presidential situation to a Tribune reporter last night. Mr. Schleren has hitherto not placed himself on record as being in favor of any particular candidate, but last night he declared himself in favor of Governor Merton. "And," said he, "when I am for a man, I am loyal to him. Mr. Morton is an exceedingly good Gov ernor, and I fail to see why his name should not be presented in the convention at St. Louis and he should receive the loyal support of the delegates from New York State while there is

a chance of his nomination. "I am personally acquainted with Major Me-Kinley and, should he receive the Presidential nomination, he would not have a more earnest supporter than I. He would undoubtedly make a good President.

"I do not believe in Platt's policy, nor do I believe in the one-man policy. I am absolutely and unconditionally opposed to a one-man power in this State.

"On my recent trip through the South, I found that the political workers were in favor of Major McKinley, but it was not so with the people. They have the highest respect for Mr. McKinley. but they are not so enthusiastic as the party workers.

"The country is in a terrible plight at present There are three things necessary to restore confidence in the commercial and financial af-

confidence in the commercial and financial affairs of this country. First, we must place ourselves on a sound money basis, and it must be clearly understood that nothing short of a gold standard will restore confidence.

"Second, the Administration should, as early as possible, devise ways and means in order to raise revenue, either internal or by tariff, enough to meet the current expenses of the Government. No prudent business man, who is in the condition that our Government is in at present, would long continue such a policy. He

Government. No prudent business man, who is in the condition that our Government is in at present, would long continue such a policy. He would either curtail his expenses, or else would devise some means to increase his revenue. Otherwise, it would mean ruin and bankruptcy. "Third, we need a moderate advance in the tariff on some commodities which are entirely too low now, and have been crippled on that account; but it would be just as ruinous to take an extreme policy on tariff legislation. What the people and the manufacturers of this country want is not so much tariff tinkering, but, rather, a conservative policy pursued, to set the business men at rest, and not throw them continually into an uncertainty as to values. "My business is directly interested in the prosperity of manufacturing in this country, and I doubt whether a business man exists who comes in closer contact with manufacturers than our business does, because we supply the leather beiting with which all machinery is put in motion, and, if manufacturing is duil, it injures our business. We do some export business, and we have paid considerable attention for the last few years to export trade, and have been successful in that line."

HE WAS YOUNG FOR A SWITCHMAN.

JOHN HUFELFINGER, HOWEVER, SURPRISED THE

JUSTICE AND WAS DISCHARGED. Frank Clark, a policeman attached to the Bergen-st, police station, yesterday brought John Huf-elfinger, a diminutive fifteen-year-old red-headed boy, to the Adams Street Court and charged him with endangering the lives of many citizens. Judge seemed surprised and asked Clark to explain. The officer said:

"I was standing near the Flatbush-ave, station when a stranger told me that a boy was acting as switchman at Atlantic and Fifth aves. The man threatened to prefer charges against me unless I

Clark then went on to tell how the boy said he was only fifteen years old.

John said he lived in Ninety-ninth-st., Fort Hamilton, with his mother and sister, at the home of President Johnson, of the Nassau Railroad Company. Again the Judge looked up in astenishment, John confidentially told His Honor that his sister waited on the door at the president's home.

The prisoner also said he had been in the employ of the Nassau company for one year. He was discharged. John said he lived in Ninety-ninth-st., Fort Hamil

NOT WITHDRAWING FROM THE PACIFIC. A mistaken report yesterday referred to the Con-tinental Insurance Company as a Brooklyn corpora-tion, when it is, in fact, a New-York company, with a Brooklyn branch. The report implied that the Con-tinental and Phenix, which is of Brooklyn, were withdrawing business from the Pacific Coast owing to defective building laws which subject insurance companies to greater risk. The Continental and companies to greater risk. The Continental and Phenix are not contemplating a withdrawal of Western business, but, on the contrary, expect to enlarge their operations on the Pacific Coast.

As reported in The Tribune yesterday, the two companies have abolished their supervising offices in San Francisco, but this change was simply made in order to have all Western agents report to the Chicago offices.

THROUGH TRAINS TO CONEY ISLAND. Superintendent Barton, of the Brooklyn Elevated Railroad Company, issued a notice yesterday that through trains will be run to Coney Island on and after May 17, and that the change of cars at Thirtyeixth-st, will be abolished. The trains will be run o

fifteen minutes' headway, and the fare will be 3 cents from any part of the Brooklyn Elevated sys-tem and return. The company makes this change every spring, when the traffic to Coney Island be-gins to assume large proportions. In the fall the through trains are again taken off.

A LIVELY CHASE FOR BURGLARS.

People in the neighborhood of No. 48 McDonough were awakened from their sleep at 2 o'clock yes terday morning by loud shouting in the street, and tooking out of their windows they saw a man, attired only in his sleeping garments, running wildly down the street in pursuit of three other men. The pursuer proved to be J. Pidgeon, a lawyer, and the pursued were three burglars who had tried to break nto his house. Mr. Pidgeon called to the men to stop, and threat-

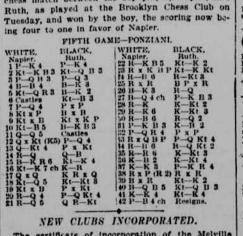
ened to shoot them. They did not heed his warning, and kept right on down McDonough-st. to Marcy-ave, and through Marcy to Fulton-st., where Policeman Leeder, of the Ninth Precinct, headed them off. The three men were taken to the Gates-ave. police station, where they said they were Benjamin Hagenwich, of No. 77 Palmetto-st.; Charles Smith, of No. 1,670 DeKalb-ave., and Francis P. Barnes, of No. 150 Carman-st.

1.00 DeKalb-ave., and Francis P. Barnes, of No. 150 Carman-st.
When arraigned in the Gates Avenue Police Court yesterday morning the men pleaded not guilty and explained their presence at Mr. Pidgeon's house by saying that they had been cailing on the family servant and were taking their departure when Mr. Pidgeon appeared on the scene with a revolver in his hand, and they thought it best to get out of the way as quickly as possible. They were held in \$500 bail.

Maria Downing, Mr. Pidgeon's colored servant, was indignant when told that the burgiars said they had called on her and denounced them as imposters.

NAPIER WINS HIS FOURTH GAME.

Following is the score of the fifth game of the cheas match between the boy player, Napler, and Ruth, as played at the Brooklyn Chess Club on Tuesday, and won by the boy, the scoring now being four to one in favor of Napier. WHITE.



The certificate of incorporation of the Melville

Boyd Club was flied in the County Clerk's office on Tuerday. The club is organized for social purposes, and any male person in All Saints' parish is eligible for membership. There will be a library and a reading-room, and it is intended to enlarge the work of the church through the club. The directors for the first year are William Marshall,

William Morrison, John Lanon, Robert A. Roulston, Jesse White, Samuel H. Millken, Archibald Arthur, Edward L. Vaughan, A. Morris Virgien, Thomas Hope, J. Clauson Purdy, Axel H. Komstedt, Philip R. Simmonds and Arthur P. Carroll.

The certificate of incorporation of the Henry M. Brascher Association was also filed. The club is organized for social purposes.

AN ORDER FOR JUDGE BENEDICT.

CHIEF JUSTICE FULLER TO COMPEL HIM TO IS SUE A SUBPOENA.

Judge Benedict, of the Federal Court, yesterday received notice from Chief Justice Fuller, of the Su-preme Court, at Washington, directing him to assu-a subpoena for the attendance before a special examiner of the Pension Bureau of Dr. Fugiera, of th's city, to testify to the application of a man named Burns for a pension. The request was made last February by Assistant District-Attorney Roy at the instance of Commissioner Lochren. The Commissioner's application was based on Section 3 of the statute of July 25, 1832, which provides that both judges and clerks of courts shall issue subpoenas directing any person whom the pension officers madesire to examine to appear and testify under oath Judge Benedict refused to honor Commissioner

Lochren's request, on the ground that the duty was

executive in its nature; that the courts could not be

made process-servers for the Commissioner of Pensions; in fact, that the law was unconstitutional. In making this last refusal Justice Benedict followed out the course he decided upon three or four years ago, when he made a similar ruling. Mr. Roy stated yesterday afternoon that on February 6 Attorney-General Harmon wrote a letter requesting that Dr. Fugtera be made to appear and be examined in the case in question. The application, it is understood, came from the Commissioner. Mr. Roy applied for the subpoena, but it was refused. On April 16 he served an order on Judge Benedict reappling him to show cause on the following Monday why a mandamus should not issue requiring him to do as he was requested. When the order arrives from Washington, there will be nothing left for Judge Benedict to do but to obey it. years ago, when he made a similar ruling.

THE WILL OF HENRY OFFERMAN FILED. The will of Henry Offerman was filed in the Surrogate's office for probate on Tuesday. The teatator was well known as a drygoods merchant in Fulton-st. He died at his home, No. 251 Washing-ton-ave., on April 28. The will is dated March 5, last, and by its provisions the bulk of the property is divided among the five children of the testator.
Mr. Offerman directs that after his debts and all the mortgages on his property are paid, the furniture in the Washington-ave, house shall be divided between his daughters, Anna Catherine Offerman and Lena Maria Rasch, the wife of William Rasch. He gives \$5,000 to the Wartburg Orphans' Farm School of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of this State, which is near Mount Vernon, to be devoted to the education of the poor and indigent orphans in the school. He leaves his four lots in Greenwood Cemetery to the cemetery corporation and also leaves \$1,000 to be devoted to keeping the lots in order. He directs that his children and their families and the body of his friend, John M. Lohse, shall be buried in the plots. He directs that the business in Fulton-st. shall be carried on by his executors while they continue to administer his estate. They are permitted to sell the business, but only at private sale and in its entirety. If a purchaser who is satisfactory cannot be found, Mr. Offerman directs that his children shall purchase equal shares of his business and carry it on together. He asks also that they will keep the real estate in the family as long as possible. The executors of the will are Carsten Henry Offerman and Lena Maria Rarch, children of the testator, and John and Frederick Brommer, his friends. executors while they continue to administer his

A RECEPTION FOR DR. M'CONNELL. The new pastor of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Dr. S. D. McConnell, and his wife were guests of honor at a reception on Monday afternoon in the Pierrepont Assembly Rooms. The reception lasted two hours. A string band was in attendance, and many who on Sunday last heard the clergyman preach had their good impression of Dr. McConnell confirmed at the reception. Some of those present were M. McGuffy, the Rev. J. S. Matthews, the Rev. Edward Hine, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Buck, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gibb, Mrs. B. Bulkley, Dr. and Mrs. Henry B. Read, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Leavens, Miss Reed, Miss A. M. St. Fellx, Mrs. E. B. Garrett, Mrs. John B. Gardiner, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Mott, Miss Mott, Miss Pigot, Frederick William Burge, Miss Bacon, Mrs.
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C. Switzer. Pigot, Frederick William Burge, Miss Bacon, Mrs.

LOSES THE RESULT OF HIS OWN LABORS. Some years ago Morris O'Brien and his wife, Catherine, were well known as hotelkeepers at Rossville, Staten Island. On July 1, 1872, they agreed that all property which they should accumulate after that time should be held in common be-tween them, and that each would make a will in favor of the other. Mr. O'Brien made a will in his wife's favor, and to make sure of no trouble after his death, transferred to her a large part of his his death, transferred to her a large part of his property. She neglected to make a will in his favor, and when she died on April 23, 1895, she left no will. Her sister, Bridget B. Huygelaere, began an action in partition of the estate, which was tried before Justice Smith, and yesterday he gave judg-ment for the plaintiff. This excludes the husband from any share in property a large part of which is the result of his own labor.

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